


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<p>In re Application of:</p> <p>Ashkenazi et al.</p> <p>Serial No.: Not yet assigned</p> <p>Filed: Herewith</p> <p>For: <i>Secreted and Transmembrane Polypeptides and Nucleic Acids Encoding the Same</i></p>	<p>Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned</p> <p>Examiner: Not yet assigned</p> 
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above captioned patent application (which is filed herewith), and for calculation of the proper filing fee, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered.

In the specification:

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, line 2:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation application claiming priority under 35 USC §120 to US serial number 09/941,992 filed 8/28/01 which claims priority under 35 USC §120 to US serial numbers 08/743698 filed 11/6/96, 08/876698 filed 6/16/97, now abandoned, 08/965056 filed 11/5/97, US Patent No: 6,271,198 issued 8/7/01, 09/105413 filed 6/26/98, 09/168978 filed 10/7/98, 09/187368 filed 11/6/98, 09/202054 filed 12/7/98, 09/218517 filed 12/22/98, now abandoned, 09/254311 filed 3/3/99, 09/254460 filed 3/9/99, now abandoned, 09/267213 filed 3/12/99, now abandoned, 09/284291 filed 4/12/99, now abandoned, 09/380137 filed 8/25/99, now abandoned,

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